Guide to License Types



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Security Guard



- 1 Name and address of license issuing Bureau.
 - 2 Bureau telephone number.
 - 3 Type of license.
 - 4 Name and address of licensee.
 - **5** License and registration number.
 - 6 License expiration date.
 - 7 To carry a firearm, licensee must possess a permit for an exposed firearm.
 - 8 Signature of licensee.

- A security guard protects persons or property. (B&P 7582.1(e))
- A security quard must have a valid quard registration (B&P 7583.9(a)) (B&P 7583.3(a)), if armed they must also have a valid exposed firearm permit or baton certificate. (B&P 7583.3(b))
- A security guard may work with a license verification print-out from the BSIS Web site until their guard registration is received. (B&P 7583.17(b))
- A security guard is not required to wear a uniform unless he/she is using or wearing a baton or exposed firearm. (B&P 7582.26(i))
- To ensure registration is current and valid, call the License Verification Hotline at (916) 322-4000, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or a license can also be verified at the Bureau's Web site at **www.dca.ca.gov/bsis/lookup**.

Proprietary Private Security Officer



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- 2 Bureau telephone number.
- 3 Type of license.
- 4 Name and address of licensee.
- **5** License and registration number.
- 6 License expiration date.
- **7** Signature of licensee.

• A proprietary private security officer (PSO) protects persons or property and is employed exclusively by one employer, whose services are not contracted to any other entity or person. (B&P 7574.1)

- A PSO is unarmed.
- A PSO wears a distinctive uniform.
- A PSO interacts with the public.
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Firearm Permit

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- Name and address of license issuing Bureau.
- 2 Bureau telephone number.
- 3 Type of permit.
- 4 Name and address of licensee.
- Permit number.
- 6 Permit expiration date.
- **7** Qualifying licenses include security guard, alarm agent, alarm company operator, private investigator, and private patrol operator.
- 8 Firearm calibers the permit holder is qualified to carry. Carrying or using a firearm of a different caliber than that for which a firearm permit has been issued is prohibited.
- This permit authorizes the carrying of an exposed loaded firearm of the caliber(s) listed on the permit only while on duty or while directly in route to or from home, worksite, or firearm range. (PC 12031(d)(5))
- No private patrol operator licensee or registered security guard shall use or wear an exposed firearm unless he or she is wearing a uniform. (B&P 7582.26(i)) (B&P 7583.3(b))
- At all other times, the firearm shall be unloaded and kept in a locked container during the course of travel. (PC 12026.2(a) and (b))
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Alarm Company Employee

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6 Registrat	tion: ACE 555555 6 Expiration: 06/30/2000
7 Addi	tional Permit Required to Carry Firearm
8 Signature PPIG 05/3	

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- 5 License and registration number.
- 6 License expiration date.
- 7 To carry a firearm, licensee must possess a permit for an exposed firearm.
- 8 Signature of licensee.

- An alarm agent is employed by an alarm company operator to sell (at the buyer's home or business), install, monitor, maintain, service, or respond to alarm systems or to supervise such actions. (B&P 7590.1(o))
- An unarmed alarm agent can work with a temporary registration. (B&P 7598.7) (B&P 7598.8)
- An alarm agent who responds to an alarm system shall wear a recognizable uniform with a prominently displayed patch that identifies
 the alarm company. (B&P 7598.53) If the alarm agent is armed he/she must have a valid alarm agent registration and an exposed firearm
 permit on their person. (B&P 7598.8) (B&P 7597.1)
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 or a license can also be verified at the Bureau's Web site at www.dca.ca.gov/bsis/lookup.

Private Investigator



- Licensee must have a valid PI license and may also carry an enhanced picture ID. (B&P 7529)
- Additional permit required to carry an exposed firearm. (B&P 7542) To carry a concealed weapon they must also have a (CCW) Concealed Weapons permit.
- A private investigator is an individual who (1) investigates crimes, (2) investigates the identity, business, occupation, character, etc., of a person, (3) investigates the location of lost or stolen property, (4) investigates the cause of fires, losses, accidents, damage or injury, or (5) secures evidence for use in court. (B&P 7521)
- Private investigator may protect persons only if such services are incidental to an investigation; they may not protect property. Private investigators cannot perform the duties of a security quard, such as executive protection. (B&P 7521.5)
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Repossession Agent Employee



- Name and address of license issuing bureau.
- 2 Bureau phone number. This number may be used to verify license.
- 3 Type of license.
- 4 Name and address of licensee.
- 5 License and registration number.
- 6 License expiration date.
- 7 Company licensee is registered to.
- 8 May or may not include a photo of agent.

- Repossession agency employees are prohibited from entering any private building or secured area without the consent of the owner or the
 person in legal possession of the property. This includes any locked and fenced area. (B&P 7508.2(q))
- A repossession agent can work with a temporary registration. (B&P 7506.9)
- A repossession agency is required to provide a Notice of Seizure within 48 hours after taking possession of a vehicle, unless there is a holiday or weekend (72 hours). This notice must include the name, address, and telephone number of both the legal owner and the repossession agency. (B&P 7507.10)
- This registration may be suspended. Please call the License Verification Hotline at (916) 322-4000, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or a license can also be verified at the Bureau's Web site at www.dca.ca.gov/bsis/lookup.

Locksmith Registrant Employee



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- 4 Name and address of licensee.
- **5** License and registration number.
- 6 License expiration date.
- **7** Signature of licensee.

- A locksmith registrant is an employee of a business that installs, repairs, opens, or modifies locks, or that originates keys for locks. An individual who simply duplicates existing keys is not considered a locksmith. (B&P 6980(j)) (B&P 6980.(1))
 - A locksmith registrant can work with a temporary registration. (B&P 6980.42(b))
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